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REMARKS

Claims 1, 2, 8, 10-13, 15, and 37 have been cancelled, whereby claims 3-7, 9, and 14

remain pending and presented for review. Claim 9 has been amended to correct a minor

informality. Favorable reconsideration and allowance are requested in light of the remarks

which follow.

1. Allowed Claims and Prior Art Rejections

The Examiner indicates that each of claims 3-7, 9, and 14 is allowed (see Final Office

Action dated June 18, 2008, Disposition of the Claims, Item 5). Applicants thank the

Examiner for the indication of allowability. Without admitting to the propriety of the rejections

asserted in the Final Office Action dated June 18, 2008 or the maintenance of such rejections in the Advisory Action dated September 30, 2008, the merits of the rejections are no longer an

issue in the present case. Applicants herein cancel all rejected claims, obviating the

corresponding rejections.

2. Conclusion

Only allowed claims 3-7, 9, and 14 remain pending in the case, whereby a Notice of

Allowance is properly due. Applicants respectfully request a prompt submission of the Notice

of Allowance. No fee is believed due with this communication. Nevertheless, should the

Examiner consider any fees to be payable in conjunction with this or any future communication,

the Director is authorized to direct payment of such fees, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit

Account No. 50-1170.

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